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From
S.S. Kolkebail, M.L.A.
Coondapoor, South Kanara.

To
Hon. Sri K. Kamaraj Nadar,
Chief Minister,
Government of Madras, Madras.

Sir,

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Ever since 1952, I had presented several memorandums, addressed letters to this Government to improve the communication facilities in the South Kanara District. But so far nothing has been done. This is more so in the Northern portion of the District - Karkal, Udipi and Coondapoor Taluks. Almost all the villages in these Taluks are isolated, disconnected and unlinked. Even the roads that are existing are unfit for any kind of vehicular traffic as there are no bridges, culverts and those that are there, are weak and in a damaged condition. To verify this assertion of mine, the Chief Minister may be pleased to call for an immediate report from the Engineering Department of the Government as to the condition of the following roads and their importance to several villages, viz: (1) Kota - Ooliangdi, (2) Brahmawar - Jannadi, (3) Kalthur - Kokakrne, (4) Petri - Baje, (5) Perdoor Kallianpur, and (6) Kallianpur - Kemmanu. All these roads are under our District Board whose financial condition is very precarious. The said Board find even difficult to do the annual repairs. I am told that its cheques to the contractor are many a time dishonoured by our Treasury. These roads serve about 61 thickly populated villages and about 250 sq. mi in area. Can you believe, Sir, that no bus traffic is there on all these roads except on No.6 (only 2½ miles). The length of all these roads come to about only 45 miles, and the cost involved in upgrading these roads may not be more than five lakhs of rupees. Even the proposed National Highway does not run through any one of these villages. Hence, Sir, you can just imagine the plight of these villagers. In view of the recent Central Government's undertaking to finance

The national Highway running through South Kanara district, this Government may be pleased to direct a portion of that fund to be released to upgrade, improve and repair the above six roads in this financial year only. This is a crying need of the people of these villages which are cut off from the outside World during rainy season that is from June to November. Further South Kanara is the only district, on account of its peoples' poverty, that could not avail of the amount sanctioned under the Local Development Scheme, during all these years and these grants remain unspent.

For all these reasons, I request you, Sir, to be good and just enough to order the upgrading of the above roads at once, and also transfer them to Highways department. Any further enquiry on this memorandum will be waste of time and energy. Enough investigation had already been done and after all, they are existing roads and their necessities need not be further investigated. If you simply look at the map of Udipi Taluk and add up the census figures of the population of the villages which these raods serve, I am sure you will straighway release the necessary funds to upgrade and improve these roads.

The urgency, necessity and importance of these roads may be verified by a reference to Hon. Sri A.B. Shetty, who represented this area from 1946 to 1951.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

(S.S.KOLKEBAIL)

MADRAS,
2nd April, 1955

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Communications Roads South Kanara District Board upgrading and taking over of roads by Highways Deptt.

pp 1-3 cf

Ref. From Sri S. S. Kolkebail, M.L.A dt 24.3.55

A copy of the letter cited is forwarded to the C E (H) for necessary action.

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To

The C E (H).

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More Please see the representation from Sri S. S. Kolkebail M.L.A. at pp 1-3 cf regarding the upgrading and taking over of certain roads from the South Kanara Dt Board. For another connection, the CE (H) has promised to send separately detailed proposals for transferring all major District Roads from Dt Boards to Highways Deptt. A copy of the letter under reference may be forwarded to the C E (H) for necessary action. The draft memo above is for approval.

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